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Applicant : Minoru SONOMURA  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification and Abstract** begin on **page 2** of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on **page 5** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on **page 8** of this paper.